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MONTHLY COMPLETION REPORT FOR U.S. OIL, GAS, AND DRY WELLS

As a result of a time lag between the time a well is completed and the time its completion is reported, the published numbers do not reflect the total number of wells actually completed. Consequently, the data is preliminary and subject to revision. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions reported for the current month and each of the eleven prior months (Table I). For comparison purposes, the same period reported one year ago is also included.

The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests as well as service wells. The geographic distribution for well completions and footage drilled is available on a quarterly basis, in the API publication entitled the **"Quarterly Completion Report"**.

Total Wells Completed

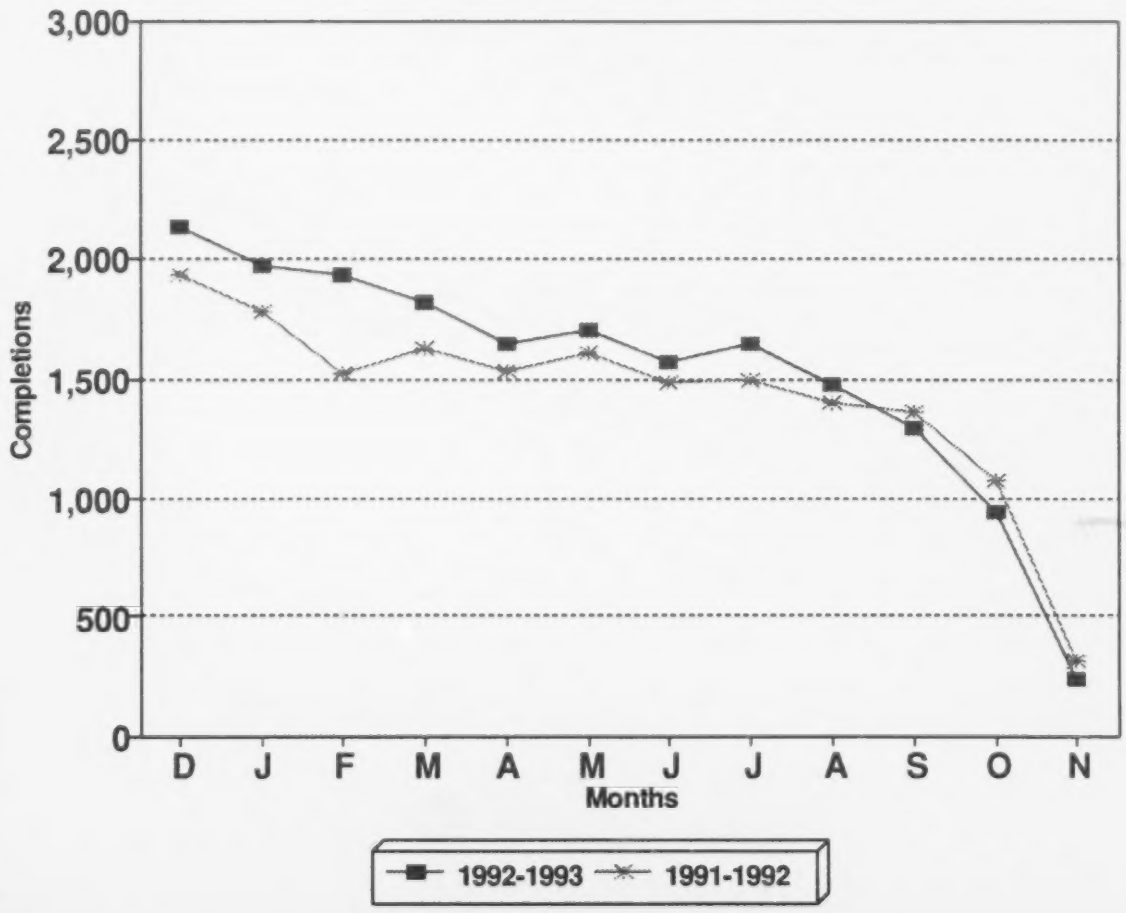

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF NOVEMBER, 1993(1)

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS(4)	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1993	5,554	30,747,921	5,658	36,249,634	5,016	26,160,478	16,228	93,158,033	16,674	94,847,231
1993: NOV	42	223,902	29	210,118	163	938,888	234	1,372,908	238	1,393,148
OCT	358	2,165,048	231	1,864,771	352	1,868,063	941	5,897,882	965	5,995,435
SEP	455	2,638,340	354	2,351,028	481	2,601,643	1,290	7,591,011	1,337	7,784,551
AUG	546	2,852,515	426	2,858,576	497	2,648,070	1,469	8,359,161	1,517	8,569,417
JUL	577	3,398,586	407	2,700,243	666	3,104,057	1,650	9,202,886	1,687	9,405,230
JUN	570	3,360,892	481	2,879,111	520	2,635,826	1,571	8,875,829	1,619	9,065,774
MAY	572	2,993,010	569	3,746,639	566	2,896,164	1,707	9,635,813	1,750	9,788,534
APR	577	3,292,983	570	4,197,906	502	2,627,782	1,649	10,118,671	1,707	10,294,627
MAR	627	3,157,780	817	5,207,795	372	2,068,477	1,816	10,434,052	1,868	10,584,863
FEB	576	3,066,720	887	5,176,606	471	2,560,501	1,934	10,803,827	1,974	10,931,431
JAN	654	3,598,145	887	5,056,841	426	2,211,007	1,967	10,865,993	2,012	11,034,221
TOTAL 1992	8,562	44,149,589	7,448	42,742,498	6,317	32,214,797	22,327	119,106,884	23,294	121,376,036
1992: DEC	780	4,115,576	909	5,133,851	449	2,468,644	2,138	11,718,071	2,243	11,915,545
NOV	702	3,733,778	830	4,923,937	480	2,480,765	2,012	11,138,480	2,071	11,314,097
OCT	772	3,681,947	890	5,092,351	564	2,848,143	2,226	11,622,441	2,304	11,794,769
SEP	795	4,002,566	642	3,767,782	557	2,915,731	1,994	10,686,079	2,064	10,846,899
AUG	647	3,257,748	593	3,388,591	591	2,875,364	1,831	9,521,703	1,887	9,633,726
JUL	707	3,666,162	526	2,950,174	566	2,771,596	1,799	9,387,932	1,861	9,523,404
JUN	678	3,532,055	486	2,862,768	517	2,535,783	1,681	8,930,606	1,731	9,077,946
MAY	669	3,537,884	459	2,768,527	614	2,931,209	1,742	9,237,620	1,807	9,432,122
APR	682	3,459,239	425	2,652,628	531	2,717,620	1,638	8,829,487	1,763	9,150,776
MAR	742	3,872,791	506	2,846,124	505	2,678,816	1,753	9,397,731	1,858	9,567,303
FEB	616	3,227,033	572	3,007,175	433	2,315,706	1,621	8,549,914	1,726	8,811,857
JAN	772	4,062,810	610	3,348,590	510	2,675,420	1,892	10,086,820	1,979	10,307,592
TOTAL 1991	11,730	54,217,745	9,016	47,652,299	7,654	39,435,288	28,400	141,305,332	29,581	144,230,088
1991: DEC	750	3,665,190	682	3,777,349	611	3,250,027	2,043	10,692,566	2,115	10,936,070
NOV	729	3,347,803	632	3,928,507	621	3,060,297	1,982	10,336,607	2,064	10,500,467
OCT	932	4,151,595	787	4,132,282	699	3,625,103	2,418	11,908,980	2,509	12,106,194
SEP	826	3,695,980	726	3,629,214	615	3,166,697	2,167	10,491,891	2,277	10,744,513
AUG	961	4,315,437	782	4,119,505	648	3,298,008	2,391	11,732,950	2,473	11,959,192
JUL	944	4,288,944	808	4,217,953	705	3,449,351	2,457	11,956,248	2,580	12,287,377
JUN	918	4,140,801	772	4,127,656	619	3,088,362	2,309	11,356,819	2,409	11,599,929
MAY	1,018	4,681,369	714	3,665,850	621	3,024,146	2,353	11,371,365	2,471	11,598,409
APR	1,109	5,209,560	727	3,885,033	641	3,341,419	2,477	12,436,012	2,573	12,704,377
MAR	1,149	5,499,820	781	4,122,483	642	3,421,632	2,572	13,043,935	2,659	13,322,987
FEB	1,183	5,384,579	722	3,842,021	641	3,448,326	2,546	12,674,926	2,643	12,911,323
JAN	1,211	5,836,667	883	4,204,446	591	3,261,920	2,685	13,303,033	2,808	13,559,250
TOTAL 1990	12,096	54,154,559	10,502	53,813,140	8,467	43,594,495	31,065	151,562,194	31,916	153,861,758
TOTAL 1989	10,313	43,323,646	9,235	47,868,260	8,363	42,556,106	27,911	133,748,012	28,602	136,011,543

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF NOVEMBER, 1993(1)

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1993	321	2,047,745	288	1,657,849	1,844	10,532,914	2,453	14,238,508
1993: NOV	1	10,677	1	5,110	75	469,490	77	485,277
OCT	18	120,120	16	79,602	129	678,738	163	878,460
SEP	22	133,310	22	143,444	170	1,011,661	214	1,288,415
AUG	21	109,334	33	202,613	198	1,152,834	252	1,464,781
JUL	32	203,572	21	87,323	239	1,213,023	292	1,503,918
JUN	40	228,916	26	151,407	205	1,156,903	271	1,537,226
MAY	39	241,337	34	236,689	157	854,355	230	1,332,381
APR	48	319,033	26	170,714	193	1,131,169	267	1,620,916
MAR	27	178,937	29	150,477	165	1,039,525	221	1,368,939
FEB	32	223,025	45	243,024	161	959,871	238	1,425,920
JAN	41	279,484	35	187,446	152	865,345	228	1,332,275
TOTAL 1992	487	3,150,361	373	2,286,365	2,596	13,957,236	3,456	19,393,962
1992: DEC	28	194,220	30	148,231	162	944,116	220	1,286,567
NOV	39	241,065	36	225,618	164	930,433	239	1,397,116
OCT	34	230,218	36	220,092	212	1,100,899	282	1,551,209
SEP	37	251,284	22	115,707	228	1,225,684	287	1,592,675
AUG	45	290,150	33	177,376	249	1,263,671	327	1,731,197
JUL	46	265,251	34	211,282	269	1,397,587	349	1,874,120
JUN	50	333,184	34	231,797	214	1,171,891	298	1,736,872
MAY	38	264,911	26	152,960	251	1,215,444	315	1,633,315
APR	45	269,354	26	132,069	250	1,364,714	321	1,766,137
MAR	37	204,549	28	207,531	205	1,119,553	270	1,531,633
FEB	40	265,465	34	235,639	171	930,298	245	1,431,402
JAN	48	340,710	34	228,063	221	1,292,946	303	1,861,719
TOTAL 1991	574	3,583,852	518	3,372,296	3,299	18,740,695	4,391	25,696,843
1991: DEC	38	279,588	52	286,189	269	1,488,450	359	2,054,227
NOV	33	189,327	42	310,031	291	1,541,172	366	2,040,530
OCT	36	188,412	49	299,987	301	1,622,346	386	2,110,745
SEP	36	244,812	33	182,507	251	1,453,687	320	1,881,006
AUG	52	336,947	40	252,621	306	1,659,629	398	2,249,197
JUL	60	347,996	37	237,299	315	1,799,625	412	2,384,920
JUN	54	316,853	44	298,803	258	1,495,370	356	2,111,026
MAY	43	251,978	41	304,780	249	1,379,060	333	1,935,818
APR	52	358,493	39	254,817	268	1,581,698	359	2,195,008
MAR	58	383,769	37	256,969	271	1,651,692	366	2,292,430
FEB	50	335,642	56	391,792	266	1,567,568	372	2,295,002
JAN	62	350,035	48	296,501	254	1,500,398	364	2,146,934
TOTAL 1990	647	4,295,486	653	4,388,882	3,810	21,509,740	5,110	30,194,108
TOTAL 1989	601	3,569,514	695	4,488,781	3,997	21,878,082	5,293	29,936,377

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS(1) BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING NOVEMBER, 1993

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED CURRENT MONTH(4)	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1993	519	2,714,932	481	2,772,667	397	2,046,664	1,397	7,534,263	1,460	7,718,849
1993: NOV	42	223,902	29	210,118	163	938,886	234	1,372,906	238	1,393,148
OCT	222	1,382,069	151	1,197,209	124	601,972	497	3,181,250	511	3,239,225
SEP	85	389,897	88	464,813	54	257,148	227	1,111,858	244	1,177,252
AUG	43	166,563	62	256,648	22	84,115	127	507,326	130	511,886
JUL	27	105,358	36	149,657	8	35,902	71	290,917	72	291,971
JUN	22	63,471	36	130,477	5	25,549	63	219,497	70	227,050
MAY	30	104,296	25	101,121	4	12,706	59	218,123	63	224,165
APR	11	38,933	14	57,828	2	6,163	27	102,924	32	109,467
MAR	12	88,964	16	83,524	6	33,786	34	206,274	39	214,016
FEB	14	75,309	15	46,416	5	24,908	34	146,633	36	148,964
JAN	11	76,170	9	74,856	4	25,527	24	176,553	25	181,703
TOTAL 1992	49	268,091	56	239,672	18	60,050	123	567,813	125	568,841
1992: DEC	9	53,812	6	38,013	2	9,198	17	101,023	19	102,051
NOV	7	42,646	4	18,314	2	10,300	13	71,260	13	71,260
OCT	6	31,715	5	38,516	2	9,282	13	79,513	13	79,513
SEP	6	47,394	4	13,548	4	11,205	14	72,147	14	72,147
AUG	8	33,648	2	4,643	4	8,045	14	46,336	14	46,336
JUL	5	10,759	1	6,882	1	1,000	7	18,641	7	18,641
JUN	4	8,265	2	14,112	0	0	6	22,377	6	22,377
MAY	1	1,680	1	8,662	1	434	3	10,776	3	10,776
APR	1	16,202	3	30,382	2	10,586	6	57,170	6	57,170
MAR	1	15,320	17	34,496	0	0	18	49,816	18	49,816
FEB	1	6,650	10	28,599	0	0	11	35,249	11	35,249
JAN	0	0	1	3,505	0	0	1	3,505	1	3,505
TOTAL 1991	12	59,520	22	124,882	14	108,115	48	292,517	60	313,365
1991: DEC	4	17,467	3	19,225	1	1,955	8	38,647	8	38,647
NOV	1	964	1	6,300	1	12,250	3	19,514	3	19,514
OCT	2	9,823	3	6,939	3	21,809	8	38,571	11	42,773
SEP	0	0	3	27,479	0	0	3	27,479	9	39,009
AUG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JUL	1	8,108	0	0	2	15,666	3	23,774	5	27,751
JUN	0	0	3	24,628	1	17,041	4	41,669	4	41,669
MAY	2	7,174	0	0	1	8,400	3	15,574	4	16,713
APR	0	0	7	31,482	4	18,298	11	49,780	11	49,780
MAR	2	15,984	2	8,829	0	0	4	24,813	4	24,813
FEB	0	0	0	0	1	12,696	1	12,696	1	12,696
JAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL 1990	9	75,594	14	74,142	8	60,711	31	210,447	31	210,447
YRS PRIOR TO 1990	18	111,312	30	263,784	30	136,424	78	511,520	80	512,921
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED(5)	607	3,229,449	603	3,475,147	467	2,411,964	1,677	9,116,560	1,756	9,324,423

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of November 29, 1993. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period November 1, 1993 through November 29, 1993. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.